

Exhibit A

Declaration of Scott A. Walter

PATENT

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<p><b>CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10</b></p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date _____, in an envelope, Express Mail Label No. _____, addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Katie M. Ireland</p>
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## DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.131

I, Scott A. Walter, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.68 which relate to unsworn declarations under penalty of perjury, declare:

- 1) I am nineteen years old, and I fully understand this declaration and the legal effects thereof.
- 2) I have personal knowledge of all matters set forth herein, and I am competent to testify thereto.
- 3) I am the named inventor for application serial number 10/612,687, entitled "Tramp Board."
- 4) I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. §1.56.
- 5) I conceived of, in the United States, the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application prior to March 16, 2001, the filing date of published U.S. Patent Application Number 2002/0077222 to Daley, as cited in the pending Final Office Action (dated July 25, 2005).

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- 6) I reduced to practice in the United States the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent application prior to March 16, 2001.
- 7) My residence and address are as stated below my name.
- 8) I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above statements.
- 9) All statements made herein are of my own knowledge, are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.
- 10) These statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

  
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